

## **Assystem acquires nearly two-thirds of the stake held by Fonds Stratégique d'Investissement**

Paris, 23 May 2013 – 6:45 pm – Assystem announced that has purchased a block of 1,777,011 shares held by France's sovereign wealth fund, Fonds Stratégique d'Investissement (FSI), at a price of €16 per share, in line with the agreement announced on 8 April. The shares were acquired at a discount of 1.05% to the share price at market close.

The purchase was carried out as part of the new share buy-back program approved by shareholders at the Annual Meeting on 22 May.

The transaction has reduced FSI's stake in the Company to 5.58% of outstanding shares (versus 13.73% previously) and 5.07% of the voting rights (versus 20.69% previously).

Assystem would like to commend FSI, and before it the Caisse des dépôts et consignations, for their support over the past ten years. Backed by its dual positioning in complex infrastructure engineering and outsourced industrial R&D, Assystem is now entering a new phase in its development, which will be driven by faster deployment outside France in the most promising segments of the energy market – particularly nuclear power and oil and gas – and the aerospace market.

With its robust earnings, healthy balance sheet and extensive financial resources, the Group will pursue its expansion with confidence, to become one of Europe's leading independent engineering firms.

**Assystem** is an international Engineering and Innovation Consultancy. As a key participant in the industry for more than 45 years, Assystem supports its customers in developing their products and managing their capital expenditure throughout the product life cycle. Assystem employs nearly 11,000 people worldwide and reported €855 million in revenue in 2012. The Company is listed on NYSE Euronext Paris.

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